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In re Patent Application of:
Katsuichi OSAKABE et al.

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For: OPTICAL RECORDING APPARATUS WITH
INTERLEAVING BLANK ROUNDS INTO
SPIRAL TRACK

Examiner: B. F. Drula

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated December 7, 2004, for which a response was due on March 7, 2005. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a 3-month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to June 7, 2005. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.